

HOUSE RESOLUTION 289

By Roach

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Head Coach Todd Day and the Rutledge High School 2007-2008 girls' basketball team for an exceptional season.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school athletic teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the 2007-2008 Rutledge High School girls' basketball team is one such estimable team that uniformly stood out from its competition during an outstanding season; and

WHEREAS, led by Head Coach Todd Day, the Rutledge High School Lady Pioneers basketball team achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2007-2008 season, establishing an excellent record of seventeen wins against only six losses and claiming second place in the Tri-County regular season and winning the Tri-County Tournament championship; and

WHEREAS, during its extraordinary season, the Rutledge Lady Pioneers earned numerous awards; Head Coach Todd Day won Tri-County Coach of the Year; Mara Maples, Erin Morgan, and Kara Hodge were named All-Conference and All-Tournament; and Mara Maples was named Most Valuable Player; and

WHEREAS, in addition to Head Coach Todd Day's able leadership, the Lady Pioneers benefited from the hard work and guidance of Assistant Coaches Peggy Smith and Susan Longmire; and

WHEREAS, the members of this stellar team are Mara Maples, Erin Morgan, Kara Hodge, Brittany Brabston, Kara Howerton, Aletha Gray, Sarah Williamson, Celeste Stratton, Kendal Wells, Rachael Pierce, Morgan Westmoreland, and Blake Lamb; and

WHEREAS, displaying great sportsmanship and outstanding character throughout the season, the members of the Rutledge High School girls' basketball team conducted themselves in a manner appropriate to the integrity of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a memorable championship season, but also surely point toward their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee takes great pride in the tremendous accomplishments of its athletic teams that have succeeded both on the court and in the classroom; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Head Coach Todd Day and the 2007-2008 Rutledge High School Lady Pioneers basketball team for an exceptional season and wish them success in every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.